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Interview Summary

	Application No. 09/317,388	Applicant(s) Smith et al.
	Examiner Sheila Smith	Group Art Unit 2683



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Sheila Smith (3) _____
(2) Kenneth Nash (4) _____

Date of Interview Dec 21, 2000Type: Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:Agreement was reached. was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: _____

Identification of prior art discussed:

None

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The file rapper on this case shows, that 2 preliminary amendments were filed for this case. After speaking to Mr. Kenneth Nash he informed me that only one preliminary amendment was filed. Amendment "A" was never filed and all references that refer to it should be removed from the case. The only amendment filed was Amendment "B" this amendment was filed on 3/20/2000, and it added claims 51-67 to the case.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

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